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SUBJECT: RWANDA TEA PROJECT

- 1. WITH TEA PROJECT NOW SOLIDLY ON TRACKS, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE INDICATION THAT LOAN FUNDS DISBURSEMENT BY OPIC/IFC EFFECTED IN ORDER INFORM GOR.
- 2. WITH USINE BOARD MEETING MAY 11 ATTENDED BY IFC/DIXON OFFICIAL FOOT-DRAGGING WHICH HAS PLAGUED PROJECT FOR TWO YEARS APPEARS TO HAVE COME TO AN END. BOARD HAS APPROVED EXPAT CONTRACTS AND POWERS FOR SIGNATURE PROJECT FUNDS AGREEMENT. EMBASSY RECEIVED NOTE FROM FOREIGN OFFICE DATED MAY 17 CONFIRMING RWANDAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON CHARGE GATWA POWERS TO SIGN LOAN AGREEMENT. ARCHER IN FINAL PHASE DISCUSSIONS COMMERCIAL BANK LINE OF CREDIT IN ORDER BEGIN MARKETING ARRANGEMENTS.
- 3. WE UNDERSTAND RIBANJE STILL OPPOSES PROJECT AND HAS STATED THAT IF RAPID PROGRESS NOT MADE FACTORY CONSTRUCTION, HE INTENDS REOPEN DISCUSSIONS COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT CORP. WHILE HE HAS DEMONSTRATED ABILITY CONSTITUTE FORMIDABLE OBSTACLE TO PROJECT, EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT WITH FINAL RESOLUTION LOAN PRECONDITIONS THERE SHOULD LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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